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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Stephen H. Houchen  
Assignee: Cisco Technology, Inc.  
Title: Protocol for Automatic Traffic Provisioning in 4-Fiber BLSR SONET Networks  
Serial No.: 09/607,593 Filing Date: June 30, 2000  
Examiner: Unassigned Group Art Unit: 2874  
Docket No.: CIS0070US (M-8343 US)

Austin, Texas  
June 26, 2002

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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
Washington, D. C. 20231

**PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT**

Dear Sir:

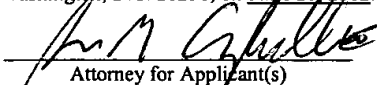
The above-identified application was held abandoned for failure to response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed October 6, 2000 which was purportedly due December 6, 2000. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a), Applicants respectfully petition the Commissioner to withdraw the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application, in light of the following points.

1. As of June 25, 2002, a Notice to File Missing Parts was never received.
2. The Notice of Abandonment bears a mailing date of May 30, 2002.
3. This Petition is filed within two months of the Notice of Abandonment mailing date.

See 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(f). Because this Petition is filed timely, no terminal disclaimer is required.  
See MPEP 711.03(c).

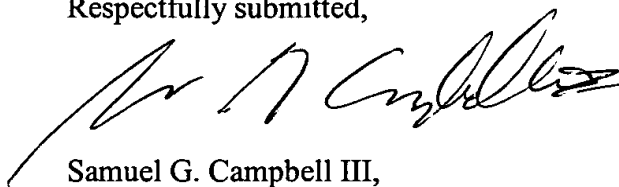
4. Accordingly, applicants could not have responded to the Notice to File Missing Parts, having never received same. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn and a Notice of Missing Parts be forwarded to Applicant's attorney, the undersigned.

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